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Re: CTIA Petition to Suspend CALEA Compliance Date, CC Docket No. 97-213

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Dear Ms. Salas:



Enclosed are an original and five copies of the comments in response to the Commission's recent public notice in the above-captioned matter. Please datestamp and return the extra copy to our messenger.



Please contact me at 202/434-8847 if you have any questions or comments.



Sincerely,



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COMMENTS OF THE ALLIANCE FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY SOLUTIONS (ATIS)

Submitted by,

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Dated: September 15, 2000

COMMENTS OF THE ALLIANCE FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY SOLUTIONS (ATIS)

ATIS submits these comments in response to the Commission's public notice issued In the Matter of Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act soliciting comments on the petition filed by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA) regarding the suspension of the September 30, 2001 compliance date for the "punch list" and packet-mode communications capabilities required by the Third Report and Order in the same proceeding. Specifically, ATIS provides information regarding the recently held CALEA Legal Summit and the consensus of the industry members present at that Summit to support the CTIA petition for a suspension of the compliance date.

ATIS hosted the CALEA Legal Summit on September 14, 2000 in Washington, D.C. The Summit was organized¹ to provide a venue for the industry to identify and discuss the relevant issues and considerations with respect to the CALEA industry standards, from both a legal and engineering perspective, given the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia decision. Perhaps the strongest factor in planning the Summit was the fact that pivotal decisions regarding the disposition of J-STD-025 and its ANSI counterpart are scheduled to be discussed at the TR45.2 meeting in Seoul, Korea next week². Many U.S companies with a stake in the outcome of those decisions

¹ The Steering Committee that planned the Summit included: Ed Hall, ATIS VP of Technology; Cheryl Bloom, TR45.2 Chairman; Terry Watts, TR45.2 Vice Chairman; Terri Brooks LAES Ad Hoc Chairman; Benjamin Ederington, Counsel to TIA; Al Gidari, Counsel to CTIA, Gary Pellegrino, LAES Ad Hoc Vice Chairman; Peter Musgrove, TIA Packet Data JEM, Chairman.

² The Lawfully Authorized Electronic Surveillance (LAES) Ad Hoc Group formed plenary recommendations during the August 22-23, 2000 meeting for consideration at TR45.2. The recommendations provide the basis for the decisions regarding the disposition of J-STD-025 and its ANSI counterpart. The LAES Ad Hoc Group exists as a subgroup to TR45.2 and includes participation from CTIA, ATIS/Committee T1, USTA and law enforcement representatives.

The plenary recommendations as recorded in the Draft Meeting Report of the LAES Ad Hoc are as follows: (1) J-STD-025 be forwarded to ANSI for publication; (2) ANSI publication of J-STD-025A be suspended; (3) notification of the U.S. Court of Appeals decision and a summary of how that decision affects the content of J-STD-025A be sent to all companies having a copy of the Interim Standard; and, (4) a project number be requested for work on a new revision of J-STD-025A to isolate the two capabilities [punch-list items] not vacated by the court decision.

acknowledged that they would not be able to send representation to the TR45.2 meeting given the location. Consequently, the Summit received early industry endorsement as a venue to air the issues and considerations for those industry members who would be attending the Korea meeting.³

While the end product or quantifiable benefits of the Summit largely exist in the discussions that took place and the issues and considerations aired, as noted above, the industry members in attendance did indicate unanimous support for the CTIA petition requesting a suspension of the September 30, 2001 compliance date. The specific question called was whether attendees "Support[ed] the CTIA petition for the extension of the September 2001 compliance date for the 2 punch list items and packet data." As an indication of where the industry support lies, an attendee list from the Summit is attached to these comments.

Respectfully submitted,

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³ During the past week and presumably as the result of many requests, the TR45.2 leadership has indication that certain decisions regarding the disposition of J-STD-025 and its ANSI counterpart will be deferred to the next TR45.2 meeting scheduled for the week of October 16, 2000 in Vermont. CTIA and ATIS submitted a letter to the Chair of TR45.2 requesting that certain of the LAES Ad Hoc recommendations regarding the disposition of J-STD-025 and its ANSI counterpart be deferred until the Vermont meeting. Letter from A. Gidari, Counsel for CTIA and M. Campbell, ATIS General Counsel, to Cheryl Blum, TR45.2 Chair (September 11, 2000) (on file with ATIS).

CALEA LEGAL SUMMIT Washington, D.C.

September 14, 2000

List of Attendees (revised)

Michael F. Altschul, CTIA

Donald Auble, SBC

Saurindra Basu, Mitel Corporation Margaret Bavuso, Verizon Wireless

Ernest Bond, BellSouth

Hugo Bonuccelli, Mitretek Systems

Stephanie Boyett-Colgan, Qwest Wireless LLC

Terri Brooks, Nokia Megan Campbell, ATIS Rikke Davis, Sprint

John Delmore, McDermott Will & Emery Scott Duncan, John Staurulakis, Inc.

Benjamin Ederington, TIA Mark Epstein, QualComm, Inc.

Cathy FitzPatrick, Lucent Technologies Paul Gallant, Broadband Office, Inc.

Albert Gidari, CTIA John Goodman, Verizon

Ed Hall, ATIS

Megan Hayes, ATIS

Jennifer Hightower, Cox Communications

Jay Hilton, Telcordia Technologies Anne Hoge, Wiley, Rein & Fielding

Tim Huntington, Signal Hill Technologies

David Janas, Mintz Levin et al.

Thomas Johnston, ICO-Teledesic Global Ltd.

Mary Jones, VoiceStream Kate Kaercher, OPASTCO

Linda Kent, USTA Susan Kimmel, FCC Jan King, Nortel Networks

Bill Krehl, Siemens Diane Law-Hsu

Ben Levitan, GTE Telecommunications, Inc.

Juan-Carlos Llamas, Ericsson

Joel Margolis, Nextel Communications, Inc.

William Marshall, AT&T

Martin McCue, ATIS Chairman of the Board Todd McDermott, Comverse InfoSys Technology Kelly McGinn, Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis

Michael McMenamin, Booz-Allen & Hamilton

Susan Miller, ATIS

Peter Musgrove, AT&T Wireless Services

Lloyd Nault, BellSouth Jim Nixon, VoiceStream Warren Okeson, Sprint

Gary Pellegrino, LEAS Ad Hoc

Chris Pilgrim, GVNW Consulting, Inc.

Jessica Recel, WorldCom

Christopher Savage, Cole, Raywid & Braveman

Roger Sherman, Sprint PCS Warren Sims, Ericsson

Daniel Smith, Wiley, Rein & Fielding James Smith, SBC Communications

Lolita Smith, CTIA

Terri Spears, Booz-Allen & Hamilton Albin Thomas, BellSouth Cellular

David Thompson, TIA

Frank Triveri, Nextel Communications, Inc.

Pierre Truong, Ericsson Robert Tyler, SBC Wireless

Robert Vitanza, SBC Communications

Meg Walpole, ATIS David Ward, FCC

Tim Welch, Hill & Welch

Scott Yagel, Alcatel
Danny Yong, Verizon
Larry Young, Sprint Po

Larry Young, Sprint PCS